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Applicant: FUMIO TAJIMA ET AL
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USING THE SAME

REPLY TO THE OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated July 25, 2002.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 1 and add new claims 9-13.

9. (New) A rotary electric machine comprising a stator and rotor, the machine further comprising:

a rotor core having a plurality of permanent magnets arranged along a circumferential direction of said rotor core, opposite a gap between said stator and said rotor;

a plurality of rotor yokes, each of said rotor yokes forming a magnetic path for conducting magnetic flux from an associated permanent magnet, wherein